

I have been an XM radio subscriber for the last 5 months. I think it is absurd that NAB is attacking XM for their "local" broadcasting of traffic and weather. The way local "free" radio has changed over the past 8 years with VERY LITTLE competition, with so much programing coming from sources away from your local area, you are hard pressed to find any programing that is local anyways. XM is a great service that provides an unbelievable variety of programing not offered with my local AM/FM choices, as so many stations are owned by the same company and only offer their "canned" programing with little or no local flavor. Please focus time and energy to fix the issues of too many stations being owned by the same company in one area. The real issue is that XM is offering an alternative to the normal competition of the airwaves, and the powers that be in charge of the mega corporations are trying to cure their insecurities with legislation, instead of offering programs that people want. XM's "local" traffic and weather IS NOT just programed to that local area, but rather is offered to ALL subscribers no matter where they live...therefore it is not local, and NAB has no case. Thank You